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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE RE

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IN THE MATTER OF:

GROUP: 1645

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

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SERIAL NO.: 09/269,897

EXAMINER: ZEMAN, R.

FILED: APRIL 2, 1999

FOR: METHODS FOR DETENTION OR MEASUREMENT OF VIRUSES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

SIR:

It is requested that the term for response be extended for three months to January 31, 2001. Please charge the requisite extension fee to Deposit Account No.01-1944.

We respond to the Office Action of July 31, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-3, and 5-8.

Amend claims 4, 9, 10 and 11.

Claim 4, line 1, change "claim 1" to --claim 31--;

Claim 9, line 1, change "claim 1" to --claim 31--.